

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.C.R. No. 162

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Economic Development and Technology, to
which was referred S.C.R. No. 162 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING A FINANCIAL AUDIT OF
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EXPENDITURES IN THE STATE EXECUTIVE
BRANCH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request a
financial audit of information technology expenditures in the
state executive branch.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Accounting and General Services. Your
Committee received comments on this measure from the Office of
Information Management and Technology.

Your Committee notes that there are many electronic and
technological resources available for government use and often
without charge to the State. Despite the availability and
accessibility of these resources, your Committee finds that there
is an ongoing and unchecked spending on information technology
goods and services among state departments and agencies. Your
Committee finds that one cause of this ongoing spending is the
decentralized structure of state information technology, which
discourages implementation of cost-effective measures, such as
consolidation of procurement efforts, leveraging economies of
scale, and up-to-date transition to integrated systems. The most
appropriate first step to resolving this spending is an audit of
the information technology expenditures of the executive branch



departments and attached agencies, excluding the Department of Education, University of Hawaii, and Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Economic Development and Technology that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 162 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Economic
Development and Technology,



GLENN WAKAI, Chair



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